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CHICKEN AND CHICKEN PRODUCTS, INVITATION NO. 18, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-267

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell chicken and chicken products as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Feb. 9. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Feb. 13. Deliveries are to be made from March 16 to March 31.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Items listed as "KOSHER ONLY" must be produced as a Kosher product. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-267; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specifications for Chicken Parts, Batter/Breaded Chicken Parts, and Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2003; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260,1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-267, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Cut-up (221240) - Frozen cut-up chickens, 8 pieces, without necks and giblets. Cut-up chickens must be produced from ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens which weigh 2.50 to 3.75 pounds (1.13 to 1.70 kg) without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packed in a minimum of four plastic-film bags and packed 40 pounds (18.14 kg) net weight in each fiberboard shipping container, with 1,000 containers per purchase unit totaling 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

Cooked (221530) - Frozen cooked batter/breaded cut-up chickens, 8 pieces. The cooked chicken parts must be produced from ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens which weigh 2.50 to 3 pounds (1.13 to 1.36 kg) without necks and giblets. The commodity must be packaged or packed in a minimum of three plastic-film bags or layers, respectively, and packed 30 pounds (13.61 kg) net weight in each fiberboard shipping container, with 1,300 containers per purchase unit totaling 39,000 pounds (17,690 kg).

Bulk Pack, Small (221690) - Bulk packed for further processing, chilled ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens without necks and giblets. Frozen may be specified. The weight range for an individual chicken is 2.50 to 3.75 pounds (1.13 to 1.70 kg), without neck and giblets. commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required by the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2003. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

Bulk Pack, Large (222590) - Bulk packed for further processing, chilled ready-to-cook broiler/fryer chickens without necks and giblets. Frozen may be specified. The weight range for an individual chicken is over 3.75 pounds (over 1.70 kg), without neck and giblets. The commodity must be packed in commercial containers as required by the Commodity Specification for Bulk Pack Chicken and Chicken Parts dated May 2003. A purchase unit will total 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg).

ANNOUNCEMENT: PY267 INVITATION : 018

COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 12 CHICKEN, CUT-UP, FROZEN PACK SIZE : 40 40 LB CONTAINER

ITEM	DESTINAT	ION	TRANS	QUANTITY
NO	CITY	ST	RESTR	(LBS)

DELIVERY PERIOD 03/16/04 - 03/31/04

001	ALBANY	GA	TRUCK	ONLY	22,000
	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK	ONLY	18,000
002	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK	ONLY	40,000
003	ATLANTA	GA			40,000
	COLUMBUS	GA			40,000
004	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK	ONLY	40,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 200,000

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COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 15 CHICKEN, BREADED COOKED FZN CP

PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB CONTAINER

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST 	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
DELI	VERY PERIOD 03/	16/0	4 - 03/31/04	
005	NATICK SPRINGFIELD CONCORD	MA MA NH	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	19,500 19,500 117,000
007	JERSEY CITY NEWARK PORT NEWARK	NJ NJ NJ	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	14,670 13,020 11,310
008	ALBANY AMERICUS	GA GA	TRUCK ONLY	11,790 27,210
009	ATLANTA CLEVELAND CHATTANOOGA	GA GA TN	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	15,000 24,000 11,490
011	CLEVELAND DOUGLAS	GA GA	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	27,510 39,000
012 013	LOUISVILLE JACKSON	KY MS	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	39,000 78,000
014	ROCK ISLAND	IL	TRUCK ONLY	39,000
015 016 017	MCALESTER GRAND PRAIRIE HOUSTON HOUSTON	OK TX TX TX	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	39,000 21,000 18,000 78,000
018	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	117,000
019 020 021	PHOENIX LOS ANGELES FOREST GROVE	AZ CA OR	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	39,000 39,000 78,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 936,000

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY267 INVITATION : 018

COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 25 CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK LG

PACK SIZE : 90 OVER 3.75 LB BULK PACK

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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/16/04 - 03/31/04

022 BOAZ AL TRUCK ONLY 1,332,000

023 NEW HOLLAND PA TRUCK ONLY 1,872,000 *NO TOLERANCE (See note.)

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 3,204,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 4,340,000

***NOTE:** No tolerance will be allowed for purchase units under these item numbers. Purchase units weighing less than 36,000 pounds will be rejected.

Dennis J. Pearson Contracting Officer

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